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To the California Air Resources Board and Ms. Melinda Hall,

I appreciated the opportunity to carefully read the Draft California Environmental Protection Agency Environmental Justice Strategy for internal and external programs, policies and activities. I look forward to its approval and implementation.

I have two specific comments:

- 1.) On page 6 (or page 7 of 13 of the PDF file), the authors appear to use the word "culture" to represent ethnicity. The general public and researchers are more familiar with the terms race and ethnicity when describing population diversity and using demographic data, e.g., U.S. Census data. Please consider refinement of the vocabulary used.
- 2.) On the final page with the Conclusion, I recommend defining the acronyms used again, even if they are appropriately defined the first time used earlier in the document. Some individuals may read specific parts of the document like pages 6 and 12.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Regards,
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